

1 THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR  
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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 VALERIE SAMPSON and DAVID  
11 RAYMOND, on their own behalf and on the  
12 behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

13 KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION, INC., an  
14 Arizona corporation, KNIGHT  
15 REFRIGERATED, LLC, an Arizona limited  
liability company, and KNIGHT PORT  
16 SERVICES, LLC, an Arizona limited liability  
company,

Defendants.

CASE NO. C17-0028-JCC  
ORDER

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18 This matter comes before the Court on the parties' joint request to approve the proposed  
19 class notice plan (Dkt. No. 118). Having thoroughly considered the parties' briefing and the  
20 relevant record, the Court finds oral argument unnecessary and hereby GRANTS the motion for  
21 the reasons explained herein.

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23 On June 8, 2020, the Court certified the class. (Dkt. No. 117.) The parties now move for  
24 approval of their class notice form and notice plan. (Dkt. No. 118.) The Court must "direct to  
25 class members the best notice that is practicable under the circumstances, including individual  
26 notice to all members who can be identified through reasonable effort." *See Fed. R. Civ. P.*

1 23(c)(2)(B). The class notice must be stated in “plain, easily understood language” and contain:  
2 (i) the nature of the action; (ii) the definition of the class certified; (iii) the class claims, issues, or  
3 defenses; (iv) that a class member may enter an appearance through an attorney; (v) that the  
4 court will exclude from the class any member who requests it; (vi) the time and manner for  
5 requesting exclusion; and (vii) the binding effect of a class judgment on members. *Id.* The Court  
6 FINDS that the parties’ proposed notice form and notice plan, (Dkt. Nos. 118 at 7–16), satisfy  
7 the elements of Rule 23. Accordingly, the parties’ joint request for approval of the proposed  
8 class notice plan (Dkt. No. 118) is GRANTED.

9 The parties are DIRECTED to meet and confer to develop a proposed case management  
10 schedule. If the parties cannot agree on a case management schedule, Plaintiffs shall file a  
11 proposed case management schedule, to which Defendants may respond. The proposed case  
12 management schedule is due by August 17, 2020. If the parties cannot agree, Defendants’  
13 response is due by August 19, 2020.

14 DATED this 17th day of July 2020.

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John C. Coughenour  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE